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Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action dated April 12, 2002, please consider the following amendments and remarks. Applicants submit herewith a (i) Petition to Extend Time for a period of one month, up to and including <u>September 12, 2002</u>, together with the required fee for a small entity; (ii) Request to Correct Inventorship Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a); and (iv) a copy of the pending claims as amended, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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